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Nancy,

I have compiled a list of samples disposed with disposal dates (when available). I am providing two spreadsheets. One spreadsheet includes a list of samples that have been disposed with an associated disposal date. The second spreadsheet includes a list of samples that have been identified with remaining sample volume. Please note that there may be samples identified on both spreadsheets. Here are some notes that should accompany this list.

1. Each water sample submitted for chemical analysis included approximately 20 sample containers of various sizes. Due to the number of analyses performed on each sample, multiple labs may have been involved with the analyses.
2. Each sediment sample submitted for chemical analysis included approximately 4 sample containers. Again, due to the number of analyses performed on each sample, multiple labs may have been involved with the analyses.
3. Accutest utilized three different labs within their network to perform the required analyses – Houston, New Jersey, and Florida.
4. **When a sample is disposed by a lab, the entire sample volume may or may not be disposed at one time.**

For example, Accutest Houston may have received a full water sample with 20 containers. Three containers may have been sent to New Jersey for a specific analysis. Another three containers may have been sent to Florida for another specific analysis, while the remaining sample containers stayed in Houston. Therefore, one sample would have sample volume at each of the Accutest locations. Additionally, volatile organic sample containers (40 mL VOA vials) are stored separately from all other analyses containers (such as SVOCs and metals).

Consequently, the VOA vials may or may not be disposed at the same time with all other containers for a specific sample.

5. There are over 4,000 – 40 mL VOA vials that remain at the lab. These vials are being stored in cases of 80 or 100 vials. These remaining sample vials have not been inventoried. This sample container is typically used for a volatile organic compound analysis.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks and Happy New Year!
Kristie

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